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**REP. DAN BURTON ANNOUNCES HIS  
2007 MILITARY ACADEMY NOMINEES  
- 21 YOUNG HOOSIERS SELECTED FOR CONSIDERATION -**

(Washington, D.C.) – Congressman Dan Burton [R-IN-05] released the following statement announcing his 2007 military academy nominees.

"I would like to congratulate all of the fine young men and women who recently received nominations to our distinguished United States Military Service Academies (USMSA). Although nominations do not guarantee an acceptance to a USMSA, they are a high and distinct honor. These young people represent the best and brightest in Indiana's Fifth Congressional District, and I am confident that they will continue to make us very proud," stated Burton.

There are two nomination categories: Congressional and military service. A Congressional nomination comes from your United States Representative, or United States Senator, or the Vice President of the United States. Individuals eligible for the military service category include children of deceased or disabled veterans, children of Medal of Honor recipients, or nominations from the President of the United States.

Individuals who meet eligibility requirements for a Congressional nomination submit applications and are then interviewed by Congressman Burton's Academy Selection Committee. Once the nominations have been submitted, the Academies consider the Congressman's scores along with evidence of character, scholarship, leadership, physical aptitude, medical fitness, goals, and motivation in determining each nominee's "whole person evaluation."

Concluded Congressman Burton, "I would like to commend each and every one of these outstanding young people on their fine achievements to date and wish them all the best of luck in their future endeavors."

For more information, please visit Congressman Dan Burton's website at <http://www.house.gov/burton>.

**CONGRESSMAN DAN BURTON'S**  
**ACADEMY NOMINATIONS FOR THE 5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT OF INDIANA**  
**CLASS ENTERING 2007**

**Patrick Albert** – Marion County  
*Attends Franklin Central High School*  
Nominations to:  
United States Military Academy  
Merchant Marine Academy

**Douglas Ausenbaugh** – Marion County  
*Attends Cathedral High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Military Academy

**Zachary Blevins** – Marion County  
*Attends Heritage Christian High School*  
Nominations to:  
United States Naval Academy  
United States Military Academy

**Stephan Bohanan** – Hamilton County  
*Attends Hamilton Southeastern High School*  
Nominations to:  
United States Naval Academy  
United States Merchant Marine Academy

**Holden Crossland** – Hamilton County  
*Attends Cathedral High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Military Academy

**Thomas Gaither** – Marion County  
*Attends Perry Meridian High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Air Force Academy

**Jordan Gallo** – Marion County  
*Attends Heritage Christian High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Military Academy

**John Gartner** – Hamilton County  
*Attends Carmel High School*  
Nominations to:  
United States Military Academy  
United States Merchant Marine Academy

**Eric Geier** – Grant County  
*Attends Marion High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Air Force Academy

**Breanna Good** – Hamilton County  
*Home Schooled*  
Nominations to:  
United States Military Academy  
United States Air Force Academy

**Emily Gorrell** – Marion County  
*Attends Lawrence Central High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Naval Academy

**Michelle Harrison** – Hamilton County  
*Attends Hamilton Southeastern High School*  
Nominations to:  
United States Air Force Academy  
United States Merchant Marine Academy

**Daniel Hess** – Marion County  
*Attends Cathedral High School*  
Nominations to:  
United States Air Force Academy  
United States Naval Academy

**Colton Thomas Hooper** – Hamilton County  
*Attends Hamilton Heights High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Air Force Academy

**Shaun Kane** – Marion County  
*Attends Franklin Central High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Naval Academy

**Robert Opat** – Marion County  
*Attends Lawrence Central High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Naval Academy

**Steven Peek** – Hamilton County  
*Attends Carmel High School*  
Nomination to:  
United States Naval Academy

**John Rapp, IV** – Marion County  
*Attends Franklin Central High School*  
Nominations to:  
United States Naval Academy  
United States Merchant Marine Academy

**James Teskey** – Hamilton County

*Attends Carmel High School*

Nominations to:

United States Military Academy

United States Naval Academy

**Jordan Wind** – Hamilton County

*Attends Hamilton Southeastern High School*

Nomination to:

United States Air Force Academy

**Steven Yee** – Hamilton County

*Attends Carmel High School*

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United States Military Academy

United States Naval Academy